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contexts relating to tobacco farming and inspection indicate that Manning's agricultural heritage in the study area as well as his own position as State Tobacco inspector impart significance on this site, indicating that the property is potentially eligible under Criteria B. The building itself, while not a good example of any formal style, is distinguished for its vernacular evolution and potentially its craftsmanship, making it eligible under Criterion C. Although archeology was not addressed in this study, there is no indication that the property is likely to yield information important in history or pre-history (Criterion D).

## **Capsule Summary**

Inventory No.

PG: 83-16

Property Name:

J.R. Lee Manning House

Address:

421 Bryan Point Road

City:

Accokeek

Date of Construction:

ca. 1820 and ca. 1870

### Description (Summary):

The J.r. Lee Manning Farmhouse (Oakwood Farm) consists of two core structures which J.r. Lee Manning united in modifications after 1897. The resultant building conveys the transformation through two-over-one windows, gable lunettes, and full-width porch.

### Significance (Summary):

The two core structures were constructed in the 1820s & 1870s. It meets Criterion B for its association with Manning, a State tobacco inspector and local merchant. The resource also meets Criterion C for is vernacular evolution and craftsmanship.

Acreage:

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#### PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY

### HISTORIC SITE SUMMARY SHEET

Survey #:	P.G.	#83-16	<del></del>	Building Date:	<u>1870's</u> ,	1897
Building N	ame:	J. R. Lee	Manning	Farmhouse		
Location:	421	Bryan Point	Road, A	cokeek		
		Private/F	Residence	e/Occupied/Good	/Inaccessil	ole

### Description

The J. R. Lee Manning House is a two-story, gable roof frame dwelling, rectangular in plan, with a center front cross gable. The five bay south (main) facade has central entrance through a four panel door with a transom and a wide wood surround. A five bay hipped roof entrance porch shelters the first story. The roof supports are chamfered wood posts, and there is a small centered pediment with a raking cornice, infilled with fishscale shingles. The cross gable on the south facade is asymmetrical, surmounting the third and fourth bays. The five bay north (rear) facade has a central rear entrance through a four panel door, sheltered by a one-story shed roof two-by-one-bay enclosed porch. A meat house north of the house is of hand-hewn logs.

### Significance

The J. R. Lee Manning house is significant for its vernacular architecture and for its association with J. R. Lee Manning, a former County Commissioner and State Tobacco Inspector. Manning acquired the fourteen acres and the house in 1897, adding it to the 176 acre farm which he had inherited from his father, John Manning. The house at the time of Manning's purchase was composed of a ca. 1820-40 one-story east wing and a two-story, ca. 1870's west wing. Manning added a second story to the east wing, giving the house a symmetrical center hall - four parlor plan. He also added a center front cross gable with fishscale shingles and (probably) the facade-wide entrance porch with centered triangular pediment, giving the house a unified appearance. Manning operated a general store at Farmington, on Piscataway Creek. He was elected to two terms as County Commissioner and was appointed State Tobacco inspector. The property was held by his wife and daughters after his death in 1926, and finally was sold out of the family in 1949.

Acreage: 2.07 acres

## Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

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<u> 1. Nam</u>	e (indicate pro	eferred name)		
historic J.R.	. Lee Manning Farmh	ouse (Oakwood Farm)		
and/or common				
	ation			
street & number	421 Bryan Poin	t Road		not for publication
city, town	Accokeek	vicinity of	congressional district	4
state	Maryland	county	Prince George's	
3. Clas	sification		_	
Category  district building(s) structure site object	Ownership  public  private  both  Public Acquisition  in process  being considered  Xnot applicable	StatusX occupied unoccupied work in progress Accessible yes: restricted yes: unrestricted _X no	Present Use agriculture commercial educational entertainment government industrial military	museum park private residence religious scientific transportation other:
4. Own	er of Prope	rty (give names an	d mailing addresse	s of <u>all</u> owners)
name	Mark and Diane E	Boyer		-
street & number	P.O. Box 7101 12th	Avenue	telephone no	0.:
Fa	airbanks,	state a	and zip code Ala	
5. Loca	ation of Leg	al Descriptio	n	
courthouse, regi	stry of deeds, etc.	nce George's County	Courthouse	liber4779
street & number	Main Street			folio 781
city, town	Upper Marlboro,		state	MD. 20772
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city, town	Jpper Marlboro,		state	MD. 20772

## 7. Description

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Condition  excellent deteriorated good ruins fair unexposed	Check one unaltered X altered	Check oneX_ original site moved date of move	
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Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

The R. Lee Manning House is a two-story, gable roof frame dwelling, rectangular in plan, with a center front cross gable. It is located near and oriented toward Bryan Point Road in Accokeek.

The five bay south (main) facade has central entrance through a four panel door with a transom and a wide wood surround. The 2/2 double hung sash windows have narrow wood architrave surrounds. A five bay hipped roof entrance porch shelters the first story. The roof supports are chamfered wood posts. There is a plain frieze and a small centered pediment with a raking cornice, infilled with fishscale shingles. The cross gable on the south facade is asymmetrical, surmounting the third and fourth bays. Its surface is covered by wood shingles. The cornice was altered when the building was covered with aluminum siding. It is now a narrow boxed metal cornice.

The west gable end is unfenestrated except for a lunette window at attic level. There is an exterior brick store chimney centered facade. The two bay east gable end has a lunette window centered at attic level. There is a cement-capped well just northeast of the structure's northeast corner.

The five bay north (rear) facade has a central rear entrance through a four panel door. Door and windows have wide plain wood surrounds. The brick foundation is visible on this facade. The roof is partially covered with tin shingle, the rest covered with tarred roof felting. A one-story shed roof two-by-one-bay enclosed porch projects from the northeast corner of the facade. The porch has an east side entrance and a band of 1/1 aluminum frame windows.

The interior of the R. Lee Manning House has a symmetrical plan consisting of a central hall with front and rear entrances, flanked by two rooms to the east and two to the west. Discontinous and varied interior molding and a difference in floor level on the second story indicate that the building has had additions or alterations over its history. There have been recent additions of paneling, wall to wall capeting and ceiling tile on the first floor. The stair has a large heavy turned newel post and turned balusters. There is a turned and chamfered newel surmounted by an ornamental knob at the top of the stair. Interior moldings range from wide plain door and window surrounds in the northeast kitchen to banded molding in the west side rooms and on the second story. There is a trap door in the low second story ceiling leading to a loft.

8. Sign	ificance	Survey No. P.G. #83-16
Period — prehistoric — 1400–1499 — 1500–1599 — 1600–1699 — 1700–1799 — 1800–1899 — 1900–	archeology-historic agriculture _X_ architecture	heck and justify below         X       community planning
Specific dates	1870's, 1897	Builder/Architect James Jones, J.R. Lee Manning
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house was situated in 1897, adding it to the 176 acre farm in the area which he had inherited from his father, John Manning. The fourteen acres was originally a part of Oakwood Farm, a property owned by John H. Clagett earlier in the 19th century. The house at the time of Manning's purchase was composed of a ca. 1820-40 one-story east wing and a two-story, ca. 1870's west wing, the west wing built by former owner, James Jones. Manning added a second story to the east wing, giving the house a symmetrical center hall - four parlor plan. He added a center front cross gable with fishscale shingles and probably the facade-wide entrance porch with centered triangular pediment, giving the house a unified appearance. He probably added the lunette windows in the upper gable ends.

Manning operated a general store at Farmington, on Piscataway Creek. He was elected to two terms as County Commissioner and was appointed State Tobacco inspector.  $^5$  The property was held by his wife and daughters after his death in 1926, and finally was sold out of the family in 1949.  $^6$  One hundred and sixty-three acres of the farm was subdivided in 1950, the Manning house set on Lots 30 and 31.

### Notes

- 1 Land Records of Prince George's County, JWB #39:160.
- $^2$  Wills, Administration Files, #1610 and #1609.
- Memorandum, April 17, 1984, from John Walton, coordinator, History Division, M-NCPPC, to Alan Virta, Chairman, Prince George's County Historic Preservation Commission. Available in P.G. #83-16 file, Historic Preservation Commission Offices; and will of Catherine Clagett, January 21, 1884, WAJ JT 1:371.

See Notes, #8.

10. Geographical Data	
Acreage of nominated property2.07_acres	Tax Map 151 D-4, Lot 30, Section  Quadrangle scale
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11. Form Prepared By	
name/title Marina King, Architectural Histor	an
organization Historic Preservation Commission	date September 1986
street & number 14741 Gov. Oden Bowie Dr., Rm.	4010 telephone 952-3520
city or town Upper Marlboro,	state MD. 20772

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

The survey and inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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The house has a large rear yard with several mature hardwood trees. Just north of the house is a one-by-one-bay gable roof meat house with a standing seam metal roof. The building is of hand hewn logs chinked with plaster. It is partially covered with horizontal wood siding and has wide corner boards. There is a door of vertical boards centered on the south side. Also north of the house is a one-by-one-bay gable roof frame shed with board and batten siding and a seriously deteriorated roof. Northeast of the house is a large one story gable roof three-by-two-bay barn that has been converted to a garage. The roof is covered with corrugated metal, the building sided with horizontal siding; and there is a shed roof east side addition.

## MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST STATE HISTORIC SITES INVENTORY FORM Statement of Significance (continued)

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Interview with Adelaide Manning Ferrel, August 1986.

<sup>5 &</sup>lt;u>Ibid</u>.

<sup>6</sup> Land Records, 345:485 and 1154:68.

## Chain of Title

# J. R. Lee Manning House P.G. #83-16

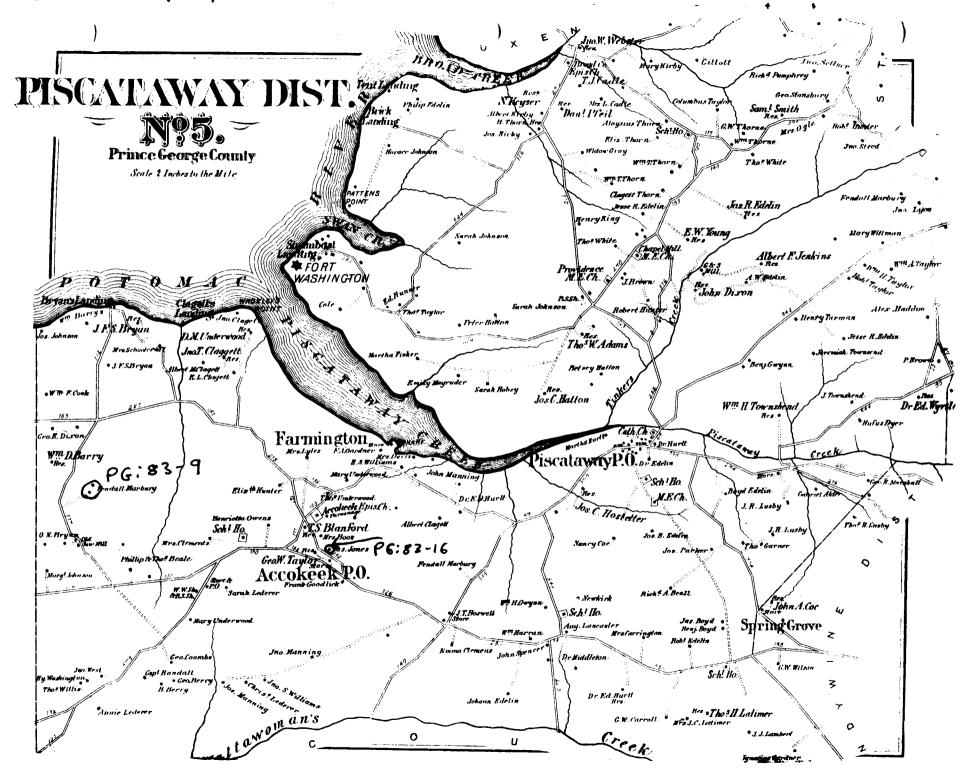
4779:781 21 June 1977 Deed	Mark and Diane Boyer purchase Lots 30 and 32 from Mrs. Clois Butler. Lot 30 conveyed February 15, 1955, 1828:121. Lot 32 conveyed February 14, 1955, 1828:123.
1828:121 15 Feb 1955 Deed	Frank and Clois Butler buy Lots 30 and 32 from Lena R. Hackney (formerly Lena Carrick) and James C. Hackney.
1256:330 30 Aug 1950 Deed	Lena Carrick buys Lot 30 from Mr. and Mrs. Francis W. Hill, Jr.
Plat 17:39 1950	Francis W. Hill, Jr. subdivides $68.07$ acre tract into lots, including Lot $30$ (2.07 acres).
1154:68 6 Sept 1949 Deed	Mr. and Mrs. Frances W. Hill, Jr. buy 163 acre farm from Ms. Eleanor Manning.
345:489 30 Oct 1930 Deed	Eleanor and Julia Manning (173 acres) from Rosalie Manning. "The home place of the late R. Lee Manning"
345:485 3 Oct 1930 Deed	Rosalie Manning from her mother, Mrs. Julia Manning, the deed to the "home place of the late J. R. Lee Manning."
Ad #3960 27 Jul 1926 GPH l	Will of J. R. Lee Manning (died 1926) lists a 195-acre farm in Prince George's County.
JWB 39:160 1897 Deed	J. R. Lee Manning, 14-acre tract from Mrs. Ceanna Jones. The tract "lying and being between the farm now owned by said Manning and the public road."
22 Sept 1896 Ad. #1609 Ad. #1610 Wills	J. R. Lee Manning inherits tract of land called "Bowling's" (176 acres), from parents, Lizzie and John Manning.

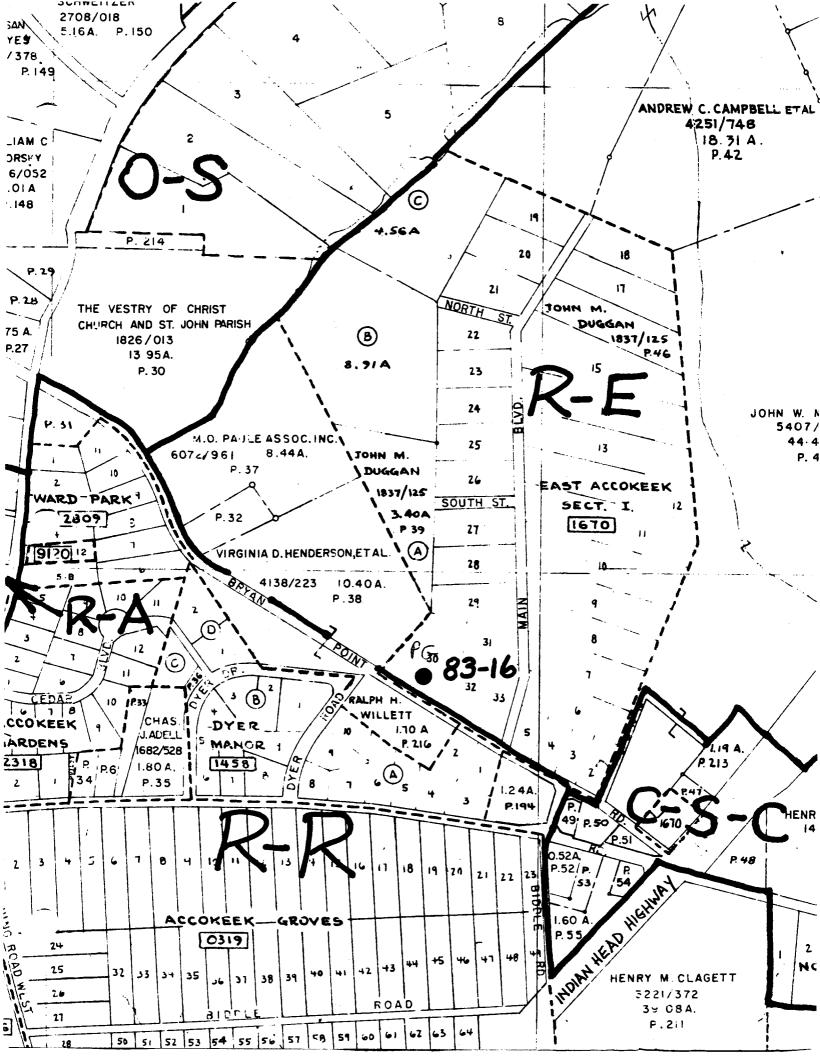
JWB 27:432 19 Dec 1893 Deed Margaret J. Jones buys two lots totaling 14 acres from Thomas Underwood and his wife Anna (Mrs. Jones' daughter).

JWB 1:43 15 June 1882 Deed Thomas Underwood buys 2-acre lot for \$300 from his brother-in-law, James S. Jones and Ceanna Jones, his wife. "That parcel of land with all the improvements lying north of the road leading from Accokeek Church to the Cross Roads, a detached portion of the farm called by the name of Oakwood".

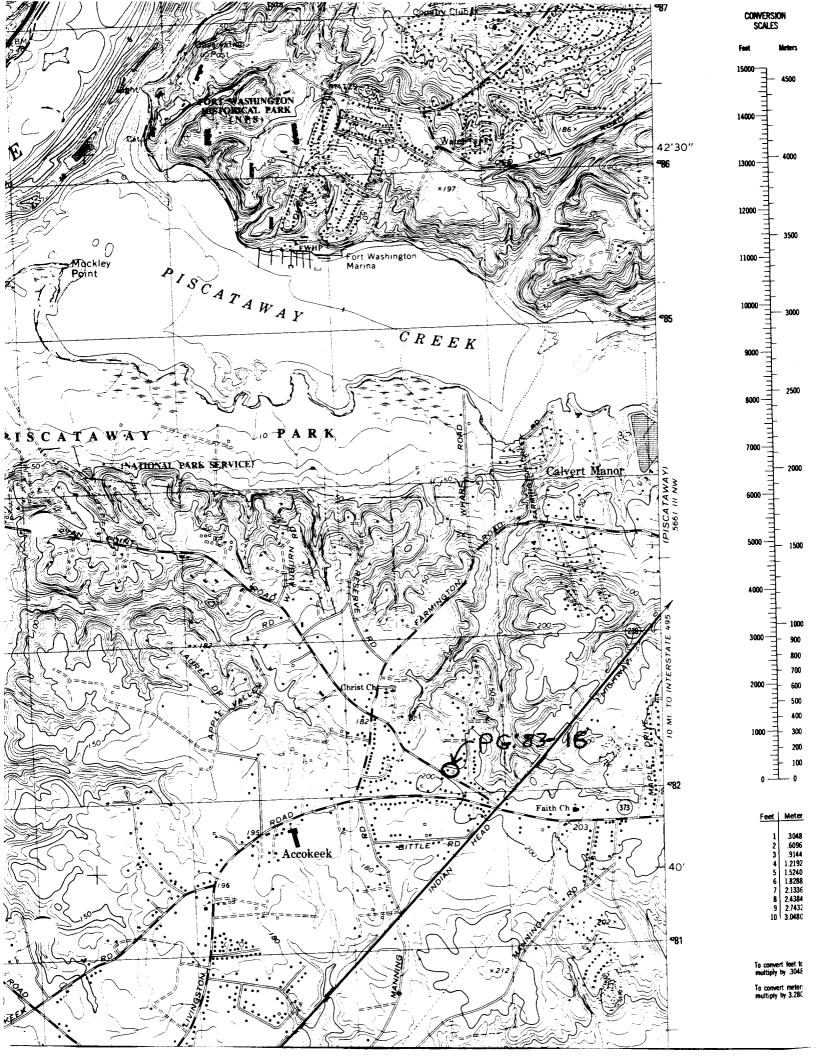
HB 11:191 26 Nov 1875 Deed James Jones, a 2-acre lot from Mrs. Catherine J. Clagett.

HB 10:506 5 July 1875 Deed Mrs. Catherine J. Clagett, two farms for \$225.00 from her sister, Harriet Beans. The tracts were "Hard Bargan Farm" on the Potomac River, and "Oak Wood Farm," "adjoining ... on the south the lands of John Manning ... containing 175 acres."





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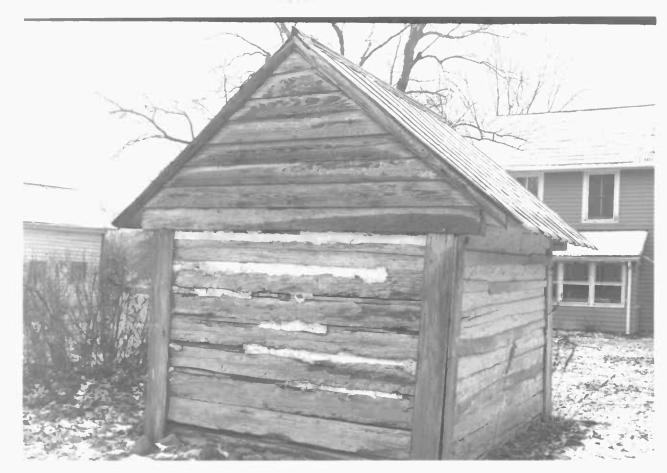
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